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**Subject: Plainwell Mill Property, Plainwell, Michigan  
November/December 2006 Progress Report**

Dear Sam:

As required by Task 8, *Progress Reports*, in the Statement of Work for the RI/FS at the Plainwell Inc., Mill Property, I am submitting the attached progress report for the period November 18, through December 15, 2006, for the above-referenced site.

Please call me, at (253) 924-3746, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
Weyerhaeuser Company

  
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Attachment

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**Progress Report No. 4**  
**November 18, Through December 15, 2006**

**Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study**  
**Plainwell, Inc., Mill Property, Plainwell, Michigan**

This progress report is being submitted in accordance with Task 8, *Progress Reports*, and the *Schedule for Major Deliverables* contained in the Statement of Work for the RI/FS at the Plainwell, Inc., Mill Property.

1. Summary of Work Performed During the Current Reporting Period:

- On November 20, the U.S. EPA provided to Weyerhaeuser preliminary comments on the Draft Health and Safety Plan. As noted by the U.S. EPA, receipt of these preliminary comments did not trigger a deadline for response. The timeline for Weyerhaeuser to respond will be triggered once final comments on the Health and Safety Plan, and other RI planning documents, are received by Weyerhaeuser.
- On December 6, Weyerhaeuser and City of Plainwell representatives met (via conference call) to update the City on the availability of developers to attend the Developers Forum on December 13. Owing to the limited availability of the preferred developers (i.e., those with successful experience with Brownfield sites) due to a national conference that many of them attended in early December, and to schedules for completing projects by year end, the City's preference was to postpone the Forum until late January or early February, when the preferred developers could attend. The week of January 29 was set as the target for rescheduling the Forum, pending availability of the developers.

(Note that up until December 6, Weyerhaeuser and the City had been preparing for the Developers Forum, including preparing an information package to send to the developers in advance of the Forum.)

- On December 14, Weyerhaeuser and U.S. EPA representatives met (via conference call) to update the agency on the status of the Developers Forum.

2. Summary of Data Collected During the Current Reporting Period:

- No data were collected.

3. Summary of Activities Undertaken in Support of the Community Relations Plan (completed during the current reporting period and anticipated during the next period):

- No activities were undertaken during the current reporting period, and none are anticipated during the next period.

4. Summary of Any Modifications to the Work Plans or Other Schedules Proposed To, or Approved By, the U.S. EPA:

- Please refer to the second bullet in Item 1 for information related to the schedule for the Developers Forum.

5. Summary of Problems Encountered During the Current Reporting Period:
  - None.
6. Summary and Schedule of Work Anticipated During the Next Reporting Period:
  - Select a new date with the City for the Developers Forum. Weyerhaeuser and the City are targeting the Forum for the week of January 29. The Forum may be held in early February as may be necessary to accommodate the developers' schedules.
  - On September 29, Weyerhaeuser submitted the Draft RI/FS Work Plan and the Draft Sampling and Analysis Plan to the U.S. EPA for review. On November 20, the U.S. EPA provided preliminary comments on the Draft Health and Safety Plan. When comments on other components of these documents are provided by the U.S. EPA, Weyerhaeuser will review and begin addressing them, pursuant to the schedule contained in the SOW.
7. Anticipated Problems Associated with Work During the Next Period:
  - None.
8. Planned Resolution of Past or Anticipated Problems:
  - None are needed.
9. Other Relevant Information:
  - None.